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Attorney General Darrell McGraw Awards Funding to the Braxton County Fellowship Home from the Purdue Pharma Settlement Funds

Charleston- Attorney General Darrell McGraw today announced the distribution of \$30,000 to the Braxton County Fellowship Home, a transitional home for female and male recovering alcoholics and substance abusers. This money comes from the third installment in the ten-million dollar settlement with Purdue Pharma, the manufacturer of the drug OxyContin.

The Braxton County Fellowship Home was founded in 1985 by a local group of Alcoholics Anonymous members who believed that recovering alcoholics would benefit from a more stable home life and was operated on the principles of the Alcoholic Anonymous Twelve Step Program. The mission of the Braxton County Fellowship Home is to provide a safe, supportive, and understanding atmosphere to assist the recovery of substance abusers and ease their transition of the participant back to being productive member of society.

“The Braxton County Fellowship Home is an excellent transitional tool for alcoholics and substance abusers that possess a desire to become citizens for the sake of society, their families, and themselves. This program allows substance abusers to overcome the addiction that has crippled their lives,” said Attorney General Darrell McGraw.

The Purdue Pharma settlement required Purdue Pharma to pay West Virginia ten million dollars in installments of 2.5 million dollars over 4 years. The bulk of the money, including one million dollars from this year’s distribution has been used to operate programs similar to the Braxton County Fellowship Home that share the common goal of rehabilitating substance abusers and preventing the spread of the already debilitating disease. This funding will serve more than twenty counties across West Virginia.

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